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SUBJ: ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (ADB) ANNUAL MEETING

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1. EMBOFF DISCUSSED POINT MADE IN REFTEL WITH R.H. DEAN,

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS BRANCH,THE

TREASURY. DEAN SAID THEY THEN HAD THEIR ADB EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR IN TOWN AND MIGHT BE SOMEWHAT DELAYED IN GIVING REPLY. HIS OFFICE LATER PROVIDED US WITH THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

2. ON THE QUESTION OF ASIAN DEVELOPMENT FUND REPLENISHMENT, IT WOULD BE HIGHLY DESIRABLE TO HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF ANY U.S. INTENTION TO REDUC ITS SHARE BY EARLY APRIL AND NOT RPT NOT AT BANK MEETING ITSELF, AS ANY U.S. DECISION COULD AFFECT ATTITUDES OF OTHER DONORS, ESPECIALLY JAPAN. IF GOA WERE TO LEARN OF U.S. PLANS ONLY AT LAST MINUTE AT MEETING, THERE WOULD NOT BE EENOUGH TIME NEGOTIATE WITH OTHER DONORS.

3. GOA WOULD LIKE READING ON U.S. ATTITUDE ON ADB CAPITAL INCREASE PROPOSALS, ESPECIALLY ON QUESTION OF TIMING. THIS SEEN AS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT IN VIEW OF RECENT NAC QUESTIONS SUBMITTED TO MANAGER OF ADB.

4. IN GENERAL, GOA WOULD LIKE ADMINISTRATION ASSESSMENT OF EXPECTED CONGRESSIONAL ATTITUDE TO ADB CAPITAL INCREASE AND ADF REPLENISHMENT PROPOSALS.

5. GOA INTERESTED IN KNOWING WHETHER SECRETARY SIMON EXPECTED ATTEND MEETING. IF SO, THE TREASURER, MR. LYNCH, WOULD WANT TO MEET WITH HIM.

6. GOA WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS QUESTION OF NEW PRESIDENT OF ADB.

7. IT IS NOW EXPECTED THAT THE TREASURER, PHILLIP R. LYNCH (LIB-FLINERS, VIC), WILL HEAD AUSTRALIAN DELEGATION. HE WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY MRS. LYNCH, TWOMEMBERS OF HIS PERSONAL STAFF AND ONE REPRESENTATIVE EACH FROM BOTH THE OVERSEAS ECONOMIC RELATIONS DIVISION OF THE TREASURY AND THE AID ORGANIZATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. NAMES WILL BE TRANSMITTED AS SOON AS KNOWN.
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